



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**John Hoeven**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**4-H WEEK**  
OCTOBER 3-9, 2010

**WHEREAS**, October 3-9, 2010, has been designated National 4-H Week; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of 4-H is to empower youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults; and

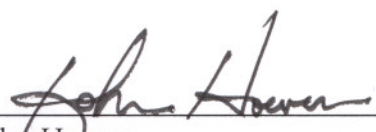
**WHEREAS**, 4-H is the educational youth development program of North Dakota State University, and is conducted at the county level by Extension Service staff with the help of nearly 3,000 adult volunteers who influence the development of youth in their communities through 4-H experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 24,000 North Dakota youth participate in 4-H programs that offer hands-on, real-life experiences through a variety of learning opportunities, including club, afterschool programs, school enrichment and camping activities; and


**WHEREAS**, 4-H is the largest research-based youth organization in North Dakota that reaches youth of diverse ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds in urban and rural areas; and

**WHEREAS**, youth who participate in 4-H achieve positive youth development outcomes based on opportunities for supervised independence, a sense of belonging with a positive group, a spirit of generosity toward others and a wide variety of opportunities to master life's challenges.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 3-9, 2010, **4-H WEEK** in the state of North Dakota and encourage citizens to learn more about 4-H and become involved as members, leaders or volunteers.

  
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John Hoeven  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State